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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1-2, 5, 7, 8, 10-13, 18, 19, and 22-33, and amend Claims 34-38 and enter the following new claims as follows:

1-33. (cancelled)

34. (currently amended) A paneled door assembly comprising:

a flat panel door assembly, said flat panel door assembly including a door frame assembly frame and door skins mounted to opposed sides of said door frame assembly frame, each of said door skins having a door skin opening[[s]] extending threethrough, said door skin openings and being aligned to form an opening through said a flat panel door assembly opening, said door frame assembly having a perimeter frame with a lower member, said lower member having a lower transverse access opening in communication with said flat panel door assembly opening for receiving a panel; and

at least one panel extending through said flat panel door assembly and located in said flat panel door assembly opening through said flat panel door assembly to thereby form said paneled door assembly, and said panel comprising a wood panel or having an appearance of a wood panel.

35. (currently amended) The paneled door assembly according to Claim 34, further comprising a support frame framing said flat panel door assembly opening, said support frame having grooves for receiving said at least one panel therein.

36. (currently amended) The paneled door assembly according to Claim 34, wherein said flat panel door assembly opening through said flat panel door assembly comprises a central opening.

37. (currently amended) The paneled door assembly according to Claim 35, wherein said support frame includes side grooves recesses for receiving said panel therein, said side grooves aligning with said lower transverse access opening in said lower member.

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38. (currently amended) The paneled door assembly according to Claim 34, further comprising a second panel, wherein said door frame assembly frame includes including an upper and lower member[[s]], one of said upper and lower member[[s]] having an upper transverse access opening, said second panel extending into said door assembly through said upper transverse access opening to thereby form an upper panel in said paneled door assembly.

39. (new) The paneled door assembly according to claim 34, wherein each of said door skins provide a seamless contiguous outer surface on a respective side of said door frame assembly.

40. (new) A method of making a paneled door assembly comprising:

- providing a flat panel door assembly having a perimeter frame, a first door skin mounted to a first side of said perimeter frame, and a second door skin mounted to an opposed side of said perimeter frame;

- forming an opening through the flat panel door assembly;

- framing the opening with a support frame;

- providing grooves in the support frame;

- providing a wood or wood-like intermediate panel;

- forming a transverse access opening in an upper member or a lower member of the perimeter frame; and

- inserting the wood or wood-like panel into the flat panel door assembly through the transverse access opening and locating the panel in the grooves of the support frame wherein the flat panel door assembly and the intermediate panel form a paneled door assembly.

41. (new) The method according to claim 40, wherein forming a transverse access opening comprises forming a transverse access opening in the lower member of the perimeter frame.

42. (new) The method according to claim 41, further comprising forming a second transverse access opening in the upper member, providing a second panel, and inserting the

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second panel into flat panel door assembly through the upper member through the second transverse access opening to thereby provide a paneled door assembly with two panels.